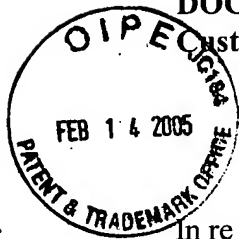


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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANT AMENDMENT

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 10, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the Amendment and Response to Office Action filed December 6, 2004 (and received in the USPTO on December 10, 2004) and requests substitution therefor of the attached Substitute Amendment and Response to Office Action.


If any issues arise, or if the Examiner has any suggestions for expediting allowance of this Application, the Applicant respectfully invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at *dvenglarik@davismunck.com*.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees connected with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

Sir:

The undersigned hereby certifies that the following documents:

1. Response to Notice of Noncompliant Amendment;
2. Substitute Amendment and Response to Office Action; and
3. postcard receipt;

relating to the above application, were deposited as "First Class Mail" with the United States Postal Service, addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 9, 2005.

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Sir:

SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed August 6, 2004. Applicant respectfully requests a one (1) month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action. The response period is presently set to expire on November 6, 2004, and if this Request for Extension of Time is granted, the new response date will be December 6, 2004.

In response to the Office Action dated August 6, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: